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Table 37.—Number and percent of section 1619(a) and section 1619(b) participants for selected months, 1982–2000

| At end of selected month | Section 1619(a) | | Section 1619(b) ¹ | |
|--------------------------|------------------|---|------------------------------|---|
| | Number | Percentage change over prior period | Number | Percentage change over prior period |
| December: ² | | | | _ |
| 1982 | 287 | | 5,515 | |
| 1983 | 392 | | 5,165 | |
| 1987 | 14,559 | | 15,632 | |
| 1988 | 19,920 | 36.8 | 15,625 | 0.0 |
| 1989 | 25,655 | 28.8 | 18,254 | 16.8 |
| 1990 | 13,994 | -45.5 | 23,517 | 28.8 |
| 1991 | 15,531 | 11.0 | 27.264 | 15.9 |
| 1992 | 17,603 | 13.3 | 31,649 | 16.1 |
| 1993 | 20,028 | 13.8 | 35,299 | 11.5 |
| 1994 | 24,315 | 21.4 | 40,683 | 15.3 |
| 1995 | 28,060 | 15.4 | 47.002 | 15.5 |
| 1996 | 31,085 | 10.8 | 51,905 | 10.4 |
| 1997 | 34,673 | 10.6 | 51,905 57,089 | 10.4 |
| | 34,073 37,271 | 7.5 | | 4.3 |
| 1998 | | | 59,542 | 4.3 16.3 |
| 1999 | 25,528 | -31.5 | 69,265 | |
| 2000 | 27,542 | 7.9 | 83,572 | 20.7 |
| 1998 | | | | |
| March | 34,637 | 1 | 54,639 | -4.3 |
| June | 35,528 | 2.6 | 55,761 | 2.1 |
| September | 37,216 | 4.8 | 58,183 | 4.3 |
| December | 37,271 | .1 | 59,542 | 2.3 |
| 1999 | | | | |
| March | 39.457 | 5.9 | 63.431 | 6.5 |
| June | 23.304 | -40.9 | 66.939 | 5.5 |
| September | 23,914 | 2.6 | 70,580 | 5.4 |
| December | 25,528 | 6.7 | 69,265 | -1.9 |
| 2000 | 20,020 | | 00,200 | |
| | | | | |
| March | 25,055 | -1.9 | 69,545 | .4 |
| June | 25,837 | 3.1 | 77,782 | 11.8 |
| September | 26,180 | 1.3 | 84,199 | 8.2 |
| December | 27,542 | 5.2 | 83,572 | 7 |

¹Includes blind participants. For December 2000, of the 83,572 participants, 1,488 were blind.

Note: In January 1990, the Substantial Gainful Activity SGA level was raised from \$300 to \$500 and section 1619(a) participants with earnings below \$500 became eligible for regular SSI benefits rather than the special cash payments under section 1619(a). This is reflected in the decrease shown for 1990. In July 1999, the SGA level was further increased to \$700, resulting in the decrease shown for June 1999.

Source: SSI Work Incentive Files.

²Data not available for December 1984, 1985, 1986.